

HARD FIGHT IN PROSPECT

Congress Anticipates Controversy Over R. R. Legislation

TO KILL COMMERCE ACT

Senator Cummins Has Already Presented
A New Measure and Senator Elkins Will Do So Soon.

Washington, Dec. 11.—A controversy over railroad legislation will be precipitated in Congress this winter, which, in intensity of interest and gravity of importance, promises to surpass the legislative conflict over railroad rates of four years ago.

The first gun was fired yesterday by Senator Cummins of Iowa, when he introduced a bill proposing radical changes in the interstate commerce act.

In a large sense the Cummins measure is a practical substitute for the present interstate commerce act.

It is expected that a measure proposing amendments to the existing law will be introduced early in January by Senator Elkins, which will differ from the Cummins bill in many important details.

In brief, the Cummins bill requires the interstate commerce commission to promulgate a uniform classification of freight and to prepare a plan for the statement of freight rates, which shall be made in a uniform way. The carriers are required to adopt this classification.

The commission is authorized to consider rates on its own motion, with a view to determining their reasonableness, and empowered to fix maximum and minimum rates. In any action instituted in court to set aside an order of the commission respecting rates, the courts are prevented from inquiring into the reasonableness of any rate fixed by the commission.

The bill provides that changes in rates shall not become effective until they are approved by the commission.

It prohibits the acquisition of control by any common carrier of any parallel competing line or the acquiring of the capital stock or bonds of any other carrier that is competitor.

TO OPEN BIG COAL TRACT.

Purpose of Bill Offered by Mondell.

Washington, Dec. 11.—Many millions of acres of coal land will be opened to use for agricultural purposes if Congress should pass a bill introduced yesterday by Representative Mondell of Wyoming, chairman of the house committee on public lands. The bill, which is said to be in line with the administration views and which Mr. Mondell is hopeful of passing, authorizes the sale of the public lands, desert land, Carey or reclamation lands, of lands classified as coal lands or known to be valuable for coal, the United States government, however, reserving to itself all the coal in these lands and the right to prospect, mine or dispose of it. It is estimated that there is just as much unclassified coal land territory as the 35,000,000 acres which have been already classified. The unclassified area cannot now be utilized for farming and the millions of acres containing coal covered in the bill may not be mined for generations unless there is legislation.

CURTIS AND DOTY CONFIRMED.

French Will be Renominated as District Attorney.

Washington, Dec. 11.—The president sent to the senate yesterday the nomination of George H. Billings to be immigration commissioner at Boston, George H. Doty and Edwin U. Curtis were confirmed assistant treasurers of the United States at the treasury at Boston and collector of the port respectively. Asa P. French will be renominated United States district attorney.

TAFT'S CABINET FROM TAILOR STANDPOINT

Analysts of the Members' Likes and Dislikes Leads to Some Odd Conclusions and Shows Strange Characteristics.

Washington, Dec. 11.—A sartorial analysis of President Taft's cabinet, which may be permitted on the familiar ground that clothes have much to do with making the man—leads to some odd conclusions and brings to light strange characteristics, not altogether obvious from the annual reports of the several gentlemen.

President Taft, by way of comparison, doesn't seem to wear clothes at all—not meaning, of course, that he doesn't observe the conventions. It is only that one doesn't have any impression of clothes when his expansive figure looms up in the doorway. One has, rather, an idea of something very big, wrapped in a more or less conventional fashion with garments. Nine out of ten persons who see the president every day are unable to recall what sort of clothes he usually wears, or any distinctive feature of them.

The only time he ever achieved an appreciable effect through the garment he wore was when he came home from the orient by way of Siberia. He arrived in a fur-lined coat with a fur collar and cuffs, which he still utilizes when Washington is in the grip of a winter storm. The coat was so ample in its proportions that one lost sight of the man altogether and was conscious that a tremendously large coat with a fuzzy collar was emerging out of, or rather, obliterating, the horizon. The coat got the best of Mr. Taft, who was then secretary of war, by so enshrouding his bulk that nothing else was visible, and to-day it remains the most striking feature of the president's wardrobe.

George von L. Meyer, secretary of the navy, is without question the best tailored of the cabinet officers. His taste runs to the English idea, and his ordinary garb is a cutaway frock, suggest-

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The clothes don't overshadow the secretary of the navy, but they are just sufficiently apparent to enable one to understand at a glance that he is a most proper and most orthodox person from the sartorial point of view, who could not commit an error of dress without creating an impression of catastrophe and dissolution.

Hitchcock doesn't quite come up to the serene level of Secretary Meyer. He gives an extraordinary amount of attention to clothes, or his valet, if he has one—and it is hard to imagine him without one—but to the discriminating and the cognate it is apparent that he misses the point by being over-zealous. One is always conscious of the coat. It usually runs to the art-craft idea and suggests a refinement of the advertisements in the street cars. One sees the coat first and after a time the man in it—a well, good-looking chap he is, too, and it's a shame that he runs to that over-perfection. The clothes are over the man in the right place. How he can get into his trousers without wrinkling them is a mystery. The overcoat always hangs as it does when the tailor puts it on and smooths it down and steers you over to the mirror to show you the triumph he has accomplished. One would most gladly, seeing Hitchcock for the first time, that they could find a basting thread on him somewhere.

Secretary of State Knox is in a class of his own. It is remarkable that a man of his diminutive size can so effectively escape asserting himself through his clothes and be at the same time well dressed. But he does. One is not especially aware of clothes in his case. He suggests dignified, trimness, what ever it may be called. His boots—perhaps it is better to say shoes in his case—are always immaculately polished. His coat is always brushed. His hands always look as if they had just been washed and touch the little black cigars he smokes—good ones, too—as if they disdained them. The clothes are subordinated to the man, and the impression conveyed by them comes in at the tail end. Mr. Knox seems to exude the assertion that he is perfectly calm and proper, even in the matter of clothes, the latter being subjected by the evident determination of the man to see that others understand that he knows what he is, and what he is about in any case, whether the other doubts it or not.

Dickinson is the sort of man with whom tailors must have trouble. In the first place, he is big and broad-shouldered, has a jaw as square as a granite block and absolutely will not let his big figure to the wiles of the tailor to display a coat. He is above that. One can well imagine him directing the tailor to send up three business suits, one frock coat and an evening suit, like he would order a bill of goods from the grocery. It doesn't make any difference whether the suit is black or grey or brown. When Dickinson puts it on, he is the same Dickinson, absolutely unchanged in appearance; with the broad shoulders and the square jaw and the straightforward personality uppermost, and the clothes so completely subjected to his personality that they are not worth considering.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson is also a constitutional enemy of tailors. The other day, when the first snow storm was on, he came to the cabinet meeting in an open suit, such as farmers wear in Iowa use, while the others came in their smart frock coats or the antique carriages provided by the government for the heads of departments. The same contrast prevails in Secretary Wilson's clothes. He sticks to the Jimmie idea—the farm is the most important thing in the United States, and the farmer is its most important citizen. Hurrah for King Corn! Hurrah for the bumper wheat crop! But the clothes. They are good to keep the rain off and the cold out, and the only thing to determine about them is whether they are going to wear well and shed water. At a stretch, one might care whether they will fade or not. This doesn't mean that Secretary Wilson is not proper. He can manipulate a silk tie with the best of them, but somehow one can't dissociate him from the idea that clothes are made to serve a utilitarian and not an ornamental purpose.

Attorney General Wickersham's sartorial weakness lies with neckties—he has the weirdest collection of any of the cabinet. They are never unobtrusively tied in just the right spot, but invariably sprawl over one side of his shirt front. Beside Meyer, for instance, Wickersham looks to be a horrid example of sartorial don't—but when he is the only person in the horizon, the tout ensemble isn't so bad. Since cool weather set in, he has taken to wearing a brown overcoat—one of those kind with a sort of indistinct color, that looks as if it had a questionable past.

Secretary of the Interior Ballinger and Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh don't take any chances and always appear in either frock coats or cutaways. Secretary Nathan of the department of commerce and labor is another of the sort of men over whom the tailors despair—he is so tall and has such extraordinarily long arms. Apparently he detests overcoats, and merely logs one around over his arm, just to show that he is provided.

6830 SPECIMENS COLLECTED.

Total Gathered by the Roosevelt Expedition.

Nairobi, British East Africa, Dec. 11.—The American hunting expedition up to date has collected and roughly prepared for preservation 6830 large and small animals and birds. Colonel Roosevelt is expected here at noon to-day. During next week he will attend many dinners, including one to be given by the governor.

STRIKE CHIEF SEES GOMPERS

Hawley and Labor Leader Hold Conference

HE WILL HELP SWITCHMEN

He Thinks They Have Been Unfairly Treated—But He Refuses to Say Whether Strike Will Spread.

Cincinnati, Dec. 11.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, and F. T. Hawley, president of the Switchmen's Union of North America, conferred here yesterday regarding the strike of the switchmen in the Northwest. Previous to the conference Mr. Gompers in an interview said the switchmen had not been given due consideration by the railroad and he wanted to do all he could to help them. He would not say whether the strike would spread. Mr. Hawley would not discuss this phase of the question.

Mr. Gompers said his engagement with Mr. Hawley was not the primary object of his visit here. He came here to try to harmonize differences between branches of the Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators and Paperhangers, which organization is now holding its convention in this city. From here he went to Pittsburgh last night, where the executive council of the American Federation of Labor will hold a conference to-day with the national officers of the Amalgamated Iron, Steel and Tin Workers, which organization is at present involved in a bitter fight with the United States Steel corporation.

MOVE TO MEET BIG STRIKES.

Railroad Conflicts Could be Prevented by Congressman's Measure.

Washington, Dec. 11.—A drastic move to meet the strike of the switchmen on the railroad lines entering St. Paul is made in a bill amending the Erdman act, which will be introduced by Representative Stearns of Minnesota. It provides for receiverships of the roads involved if necessary. Mr. Stearns has conferred with Commissioner of Labor Neil and interstate commerce commission officials, and will take up the matter with the president. His bill proposes that the attorney general of the United States in controversies between railroads and their employees may, if necessary, file a bill in equity to prevent any threatened public mischief in any United States courts with the circuits where the railroads may do business, such bill to make the railroads and employees defendants together with all known corporations, organizations or individuals aiding or abetting. The bill gives United States courts full jurisdiction.

TEN DAYS MORE FOR MORSE.

Judge Noyes Grants Stay—Convicted Banker to Try for New Trial.

New York, Dec. 11.—In the United States circuit court yesterday, Judge Noyes granted a stay of 10 days to Charles W. Morse, the convicted banker, facing a term of 15 years in a federal prison on conviction of misappropriation of national bank funds, and ordered his counsel to keep Mr. Morse from beginning the serving of his prison sentence.

MINE INQUIRY HALTED.

The Coroner's Jury Demands Missing Witnesses.

Cherry, Ill., Dec. 11.—Inquiry by the coroner's jury into the causes of the St. Paul mine disaster came to an abrupt close Thursday, without a verdict being reached or any steps being made to fix responsibility for the attending loss of life. The jury announced that it would not return a verdict until Alexander Rosenjack and Robert Dean, the missing witnesses, have either been found or the county officials show evidence of a genuine desire to find them. It was agreed to adjourn until December 20, to give the county officials an opportunity to search further for the missing witnesses.

DREDGE WENT DOWN.

And Six Men Lost Their Lives at Port Arthur.

Port Arthur, Ont., Dec. 11.—By the sinking of dredge No. 8, owned by the Great Lakes Dredging company, near Milton island in Thunder bay, Thursday night, six men lost their lives. They are John Bradburn, an American; Peter McDonald, watchman; Port Arthur; John Wilson, Sarnia, Ont.; Cook Cameron, Port Arthur; Deckhand A. Smith. The disaster was caused by the ice cutting holes in the dredge.

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Maintaining a Monopoly in New
York City.

New York, Dec. 11.—The jury that has been hearing the case against the American Ice company under the Donnelly anti-monopoly law before Supreme Court Justice Wheeler, for the past two months, brought in a verdict of guilty on two counts of the indictment yesterday afternoon. Justice Wheeler at once fined the corporation \$5,000, but granted a stay of execution, pending an appeal.

The two counts of the indictment upon which the jury found the verdict were the first and third. The first charged the defendant with "doing an act pursuant to, and in, and toward, and for, consummation of an arrangement whereby competition in the production and sale of ice, was and might be restrained and prohibited," and then set forth certain contract agreements and other acts by the defendant in support of that charge. The third count charged an attempt to make and enter into an arrangement whereby a monopoly in the production and sale of ice might be maintained and the doing of acts for the consummation thereof.

WARSHIPS COLLIDE.

Accident Occurred During Tactical Manoeuvres Near Hampton Roads.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 11.—The battleships Georgia and Nebraska of the Atlantic fleet were in collision during the manoeuvres on the southern drill grounds Thursday, about 40 miles southwest of Hampton Roads. Rear Admiral Sinton Schreder, commanding officer of the fleet, reported the accident to the navy department yesterday. The effect of the collision was not serious. Only a few rivets were sprung. The accident took place during the tactical exercises.

It is believed that the two vessels were proceeding at a slow rate of speed when they ran into each other. Admiral Schreder probably will make a full report of the accident within the next few days. The Georgia was in command of Commander Archibald Davis, her executive officer, who is temporarily in command, pending the detail of a commanding officer, while the Nebraska was commanded by Captain John T. Newton. A court of inquiry will be ordered by Admiral Schreder to fix the responsibility for the collision.

The entire fleet returned to Hampton Roads yesterday afternoon.

MANIAC BOLEY KILLED.

Murderer Laid Low by One of the Men He Was After.

Wooster, Ohio, Dec. 11.—Oscar E. Boley, the maniac slayer of Sheriff Jacob Bell of Holmes county, who swore to kill five other Holmes county men after terrorizing a Lutheran revival meeting in Big Prairie on Wednesday night, was felled last night.

A bullet from the rifle of William Hoover, marshal-elect of Millersburg, one of the men Boley swore to kill, brought the escaped lunatic to earth behind a fence on a farm. Boley was borne into a ditch, and his intestines, a prominent and a maimed right hand, the latter the result of an earlier encounter with a posse of 200, which has pursued him since Thursday morning. The wounds were dressed and he was brought to a hospital here where he died.

CHIEF RED CLOUD DEAD.

The Famous Old Sioux Indian Passes Away at Pine Ridge Agency.

Washington, Dec. 11.—Red Cloud, the famous old Sioux Indian chief, is dead. This information was received yesterday by Superintendent Brennan of the Pine Ridge Indian agency, who is in Washington attending the meeting of those interested in the education of the Indian. Red Cloud belonged to the old Hare, a band of the Sioux. He was eighty-six years old and for the past twenty-five years had lived at the Pine Ridge agency.

Old Foundations Unearthed.

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 11.—The foundations of what is thought was the original Harvard college building have been unearthed on Massachusetts avenue, this city, in excavating for the new Cambridge subway. If the walls unearthed did not belong to the first college structure, they were probably part of the house of Edward Goffe, which was acquired by the college in 1854 and converted into a dormitory. This house stood on the lot adjoining the single building which then comprised Harvard college. The positions of these two buildings have not been definitely known for many years.

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PRESERVED EGGS SUED.

Dr. Wiley Says Boric Acid in Them Is Poisonous.

Peoria, Ill., Dec. 11.—That the smallest amount of boric acid or other ingredient used in preserving eggs is poisonous to the human consumer was the testimony given by Dr. H. W. Wiley, chief of the chemistry bureau of the department of agriculture, and ten other government poison experts on the witness stand in the federal court here Thursday. The title of the case is the United States vs. Fifty Cans of Preserved Eggs. The Hipolite Canning company of St. Louis is the defendant in the action. When the fifty cans of preserved eggs were confiscated here four months ago, Dr. Wiley and his poison squad made an examination and prepared their testimony accordingly.

REV. DR. HUGHES VERY ILL.

Father of New York's Governor Suffers Second Stroke of Apoplexy.

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 11.—Rev. Dr. David C. Hughes, father of Gov. Hughes, is critically ill at the executive mansion. Dr. George E. Gorham, who is attending him, said yesterday that Dr. Hughes' condition had taken a change for the worse and he is not expected to recover.

Dr. Hughes when serving temporarily in a pulpit in New Jersey, about a year ago, suffered a slight stroke of apoplexy. There was a recurrence of the attack Wednesday night. Dr. Hughes, who is 77 years of age, and Mrs. Hughes have been staying at the executive mansion for some time.

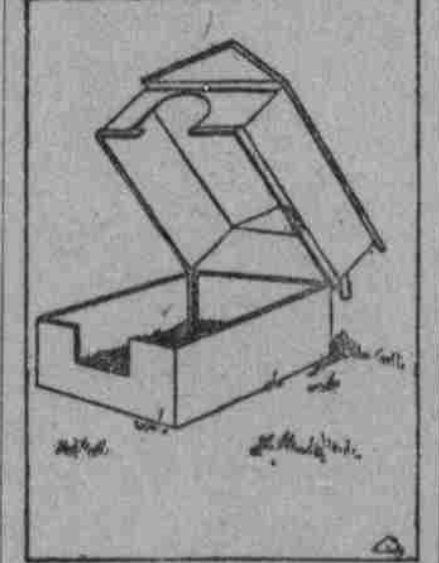
SCHOOLBOY MURDERER.

Kills Sweetheart After Seeing Her with Another Young Man.

Washington Pa., Dec. 11.—Enraged at seeing his school girl sweetheart, Laura Braden, aged 16, in company with another youth, Walter Saybold, aged 18, also a high school student, fatally shot her yesterday afternoon and later, when surrounded by officers, committed suicide, shooting himself through the heart. Miss Braden died a few minutes after the tragedy. The girl was the daughter of Attorney W. A. Braden. Saybold's father is George Saybold, a prominent tobaccoist and for years a leading resident of Washington.

Take Care of the Dog.

A New York man with an eye to the health and comfort of our canine friend has invented a kennel which will make the dog's life a happier one. The kennel is made of two parts, and the top section opens on a hinge so that the straw may be aired every day and quickly changed when necessary. Struts on the lower portion fit into plates on the lower part so that the whole is a firm structure when closed. Animals as well as human beings are



DOG KENNEL IN TWO SECTIONS.

healthier when they live in clean surroundings, and it is important that their bedding should be aired and kept clean. With the new kennel it is easy to open the top each day and let the sunlight and fresh air purify the straw upon which the animal sleeps at night. People who have dogs for which they have real affection and who indulge these pets to a sometimes foolish degree seldom think of paying ordinary attention to hygienic laws which they accept as absolutely necessary in the case of humans.

INFLUENCE OF COLOR

By ARCHIBALD SPOFFARD.
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"Doctor, I have a problem for you to solve. I am aware that you study the science of your profession rather than practice that profession; that your investigations have pertained to the different conditions wherein mind dominates matter and other kindred questions. I have heard that you have even analyzed love between the sexes and are prepared to place men and women in positions where they will love and other positions wherein they will hate one another. Am I right?"

"Partly. We are all affected by our environment. Bad weather, for instance, makes us quarrelsome."

"But we cannot control the weather, and the problem I have for you is to produce love. As you know, I am immensely wealthy. My wealth must all go in time to Isabel, my only child. She is now trying to decide between two men. One of them I wish her to marry; to the other I have serious objections. She will not be influenced by me. Can you instruct me how to influence her by natural causes?"

"I can suggest a method for you to try," the doctor replied. "If you can bring about the necessary conditions. Arrange, if possible, that your daughter, when the man you prefer is with her, shall receive him in rooms decorated with soft colors harmoniously blended. Let some of the apartments be entirely of green. Arrange also that when she is with the man you oppose the rooms shall be all hung in red."

"Do you really think?"

"I have observed," the doctor continued, interrupting, "that people with green surroundings are likely to be amiable, whereas when shut up together in red they are predisposed to quarrel."

Mr. Percival Smythe resolved to try the experiment. He sent decorators to his country house with orders to decorate certain salons in red, others in predominant green. His daughter had determined to invite both the men she was to choose from to spend the winter holidays at this country house. They were Dwight Williams, whom her father favored, and Russell Barnes, whom she slightly preferred.

Mr. Smythe intended to be at the house continuously and see that the doctor's instructions were carried out. Nevertheless he was detained in the city for a few days, and Mr. Barnes arrived before both him and his rival. The result was that the young lady passed several days with her favorite in whatever rooms she liked. He naturally selected the green rooms.

When her father arrived she told him that it was useless for Williams to put in an appearance since she had already decided to accept the other man. Mr. Smythe begged her to wait a week, wrote Mr. Williams to delay his coming and put decorators in the green rooms, ostensibly to make changes. This forced his daughter to pass the time spent with Mr. Barnes in the red rooms.

After three days she told her father he might send for his favorite. She had discovered certain disagreeable traits in Mr. Barnes that she had not looked for. Mr. Smythe telegraphed his friend to come at once, changed the decorators from the green to the red room and invited Mr. Barnes to go a-hunting with him.

Mr. Williams was thus left free to press his suit with the lady, using the green room. Mr. Smythe kept Mr. Barnes with him, for a week, and when they returned he was informed by his daughter that she had been surprised to find Mr. Williams far more amiable than Mr. Barnes.

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